

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraphs at page 13, line 12 to page 14, line 3 with the following:

The present invention may also be applied to a viewfinder device 300A configured as shown in Fig. 54.

The viewfinder device 300A shown in Fig. 54 includes a brightness/ contrast adjustment circuit 214 for adjusting the brightness or contrast of an image signal Dq supplied from the camera signal processing unit 20 provided to a video camera 100A, and a monitor output processor 235 for converting an image signal Du supplied from the brightness/ contrast adjustment circuit 214 into a signal MTout, which is in keeping with a liquid crystal display unit 237, and for outputting the so converted signal. The viewfinder device also includes the liquid crystal display unit 237 for effecting light modulation of liquid crystal display elements based on the signal MTout supplied from the monitor output processor 235 for demonstration to the user, and a controller 250 for controlling various parts of the viewfinder device 300A. The viewfinder device also includes an operating unit 251 for supplying an operating signal SP to the controller responsive to user actuation and an SW regulator 236 for generating the DC signal Cf based on the control signal CTbc supplied from the controller 250. The viewfinder device also includes a Royer oscillator 238 for being self-oscillated responsive to an input DC signal Cf to generate an AC signal Ch, and a backlight 239. These various components of the viewfinder device 300A are the same as those of the

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corresponding components of the video camera 100 and hence are not explained specifically.